

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Joe (Joey) Harrison, a native of Pierre, South Dakota, will receive his Doctorate of Education from The University of South Dakota on August 3, 2006; and,

Whereas, In 1978, Joe received his Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education and Special Education for the Blind and Visually Impaired Degree from Northern State College. He continued his education at Black Hills State University and received his Master of Science in Curriculum and Instruction in 2002; and,

Whereas, Joe has given generously of his time and talents teaching in Minnesota and Wisconsin and for the past 13 years in South Dakota. He currently teaches in the Rapid City School District for the visually impaired and serves as chairman of the South Dakota Professional Teachers Practices and Standards Commission; and,

Whereas, In 1997, Joe received the Teacher Brailist of the Year Award from the National Federation of the Blind of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Joe has devoted his life to the betterment of his community, the caring and sharing with family and friends and the day-to-day giving and loving which make South Dakota a great state in which to live and work; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper that the Governor of the state of South Dakota recognize Dr. Harrison for his contributions of wisdom and guidance to education in South Dakota and on the accomplishment of his doctorate degree:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim, August 3, 2006, as

DR. JOSEPH HARRISON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join his friends and colleagues in congratulating him on this special occasion and his commitment to education.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State